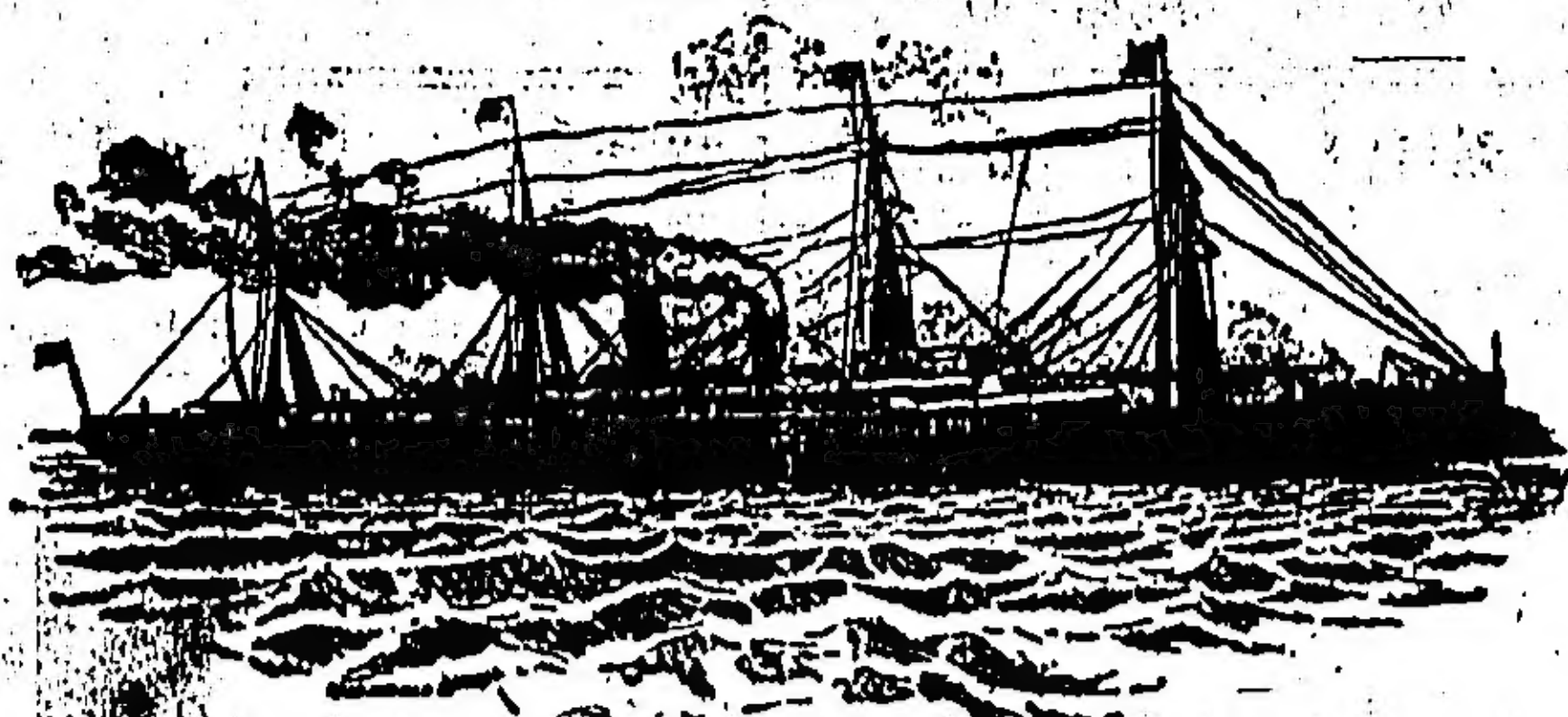


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"KORSA"	11,276 "	FRIDAY, 6th January, 1905, at Noon.
"CORTIO"	4,352 "	FRIDAY, 13th January, at Noon.
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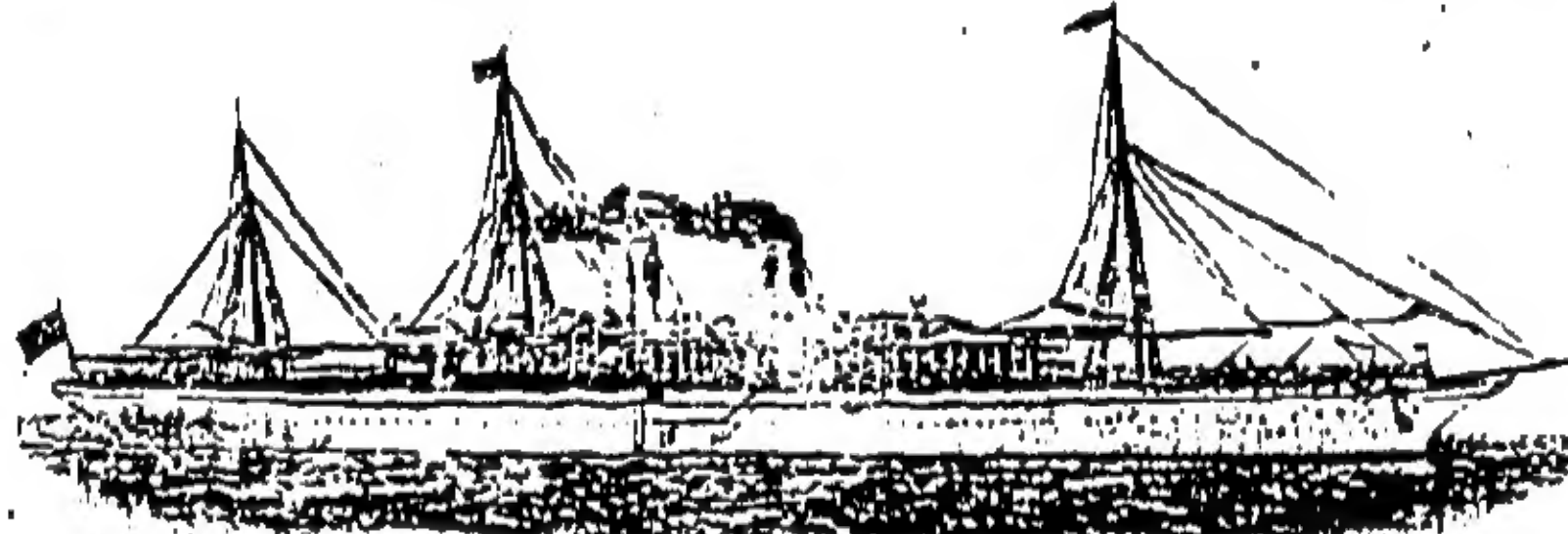
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"EMPRESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 " ... WEDNESDAY, 11th January, 1905.

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ARMENIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG.	1st January.	Freight.
Forst	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).		
C. FERD. LAEISZ	HAYRE and HAMBURG.	10th January.	Freight.
v. Hoff	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).		
SITHONIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG.	24th January.	Freight.
Hildebrandt	(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).		
ARCADIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG.	7th Feb.	Freight.
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ANDALUSIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG.	21st Feb.	Freight.
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Hongkong, 29th November, 1904.

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Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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Hongkong, 16th November, 1904.

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Singapore, 4th October, 1904.

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THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1904.

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Hongkong, 19th May, 1904.

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Intimations.

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HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1904.

Intimations.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB,

NOTICE.

A RACE will be run TO-MORROW, the
3rd December, 1904, at 7.30 A.M., as
follows:
ST. ANDREW STAKES.—Open to Sub-
scription Griffs in this Season only. Catch
weights over 10 stone 10 lbs. Native Riders
allowed. Distance Half-a-mile.
Entrance \$5; Post Entries.

By Order,

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1278]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-
EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING
OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company
will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hong-
kong, on TUESDAY, the 6th December, at
11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of
receiving the report of the Directors, together
with Statement of Accounts to the 30th April
last, and of declaring Dividends.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 22nd instant to the
5th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

JAMES WHITALL,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1904. [1231]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the
Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE
will be carried out as under:-Lyemun and Devil's Peak, on WEDNES-
DAY, the 7th December, in the direction
of Junk Bay and Tung Sand Island at
ranges from 500 to 8,000 yards.Lyemun, on FRIDAY, the 9th December, in
the direction of Junk Bay, at ranges from
500 to 8,000 yards.If the weather is unfavourable on either day,
Practice will be carried out on the following day.Practice will commence at 9.30 A.M., and
finish about 1 P.M. daily, if the range is clear.

L. BARNES-LAWRENCE,

Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department,
Hongkong, 30th November, 1904. [1291]

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Have you a SINGER Sewing Machine?
If not get one.\$10 DOWN AND THE REST IN EASY
MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

Showrooms:—1, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1904. [123]

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAM-
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TIME TABLE

(on and after 1st October, 1904.)

WEEK DAYS.

6.45 a.m. to 7.00 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

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1.30 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

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3.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

3.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

4.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

4.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

5.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

GERMANY IN CHINA.

TEUTON ACTIVITY IN KIAOCHAO BAY.

By the Daily Chronicle War Correspondent.

We got into Tsingtau early on a September
morning, and I spent the whole day in study-
ing the progress of this great German experi-
ment in the East. I need hardly remind you
readers that Tsingtau is the port of Kiaochow,
where the laune Russian warships sought re-
fuge. The last time I was there was in 1900;
when the laying out of the town was little more
than commenced, and except the barracks, the
Prinz Heinrich Hotel, and the Governor's house,
there were few buildings, but there were thou-
sands of coolies at work like ants all over the
place, and the creaking of their wheelbarrows
was perpetually in the ear wherever one went.

RAPID PROGRESS.

I was perfectly astounded at what I saw
yesterday, and could not believe it possible
that such progress could have been made
in the time. Instead of anchoring outside in
the bay, as we did last time, we steamed in
alongside a deep-water quay, which was more
than long enough to accommodate a Germa-
n warship and the *Tsarevitch*, which were moored
to it. Parallel to this is a massive stone pier,
at each side of which ships can lie, and still
further another quay, so they have already
provided accommodation for a very large
number of ships. The pier and quays are all
faced with large blocks of yellow sandstone
and granite; and branch lines of railway run
down each, so that goods for the interior can
be loaded on to the trucks direct from the
ships' holds.Taking a rickshaw I was soon bowling along
a wide road, smooth as a billiard table, passing
Chinese and Germans in white clothes on
bicycles, and long lines of wheelbarrows, carts
laden with bricks and red tiles, and two-horse
open fires. But the great surprise was to see
the number of houses that had been built since
I was here last, and beautiful houses, too.
They were not, as in Japan, all of the same
design, as if they had been cast in bullet
moulds, but of all variety of styles. Many
were like the adobe buildings, with red tiled
overhanging roofs and deep verandahs which
we see in Mexico and Southern California—
exactly suited to the climate, which in the
summer is very hot.

GERMAN ENTERPRISE.

The German regulations for the settlements
of the Chinese are excellent. Instead of hav-
ing them mixed up promiscuously with the
Europeans, they have a separate and exclu-
sively Chinese town. In that quarter the
Chinese are allowed to have shops and dwell-
ings, as well as the Europeans. A large dis-
trict further on is exclusively European, where
Chinese are on no account whatever permitted
to settle.Lines of telegraph wires run along the side
of the road, and in the centre there are the
iron poles supporting electric arc lamps. I
passed a couple of Chinamen busy hauling
down and repairing one of them. Suggestive,
is it not—Chinese in charge of the electric
lights. The whole city is lit by electricity,
but the company that started to work it and
put up the installations was not a success, and
went bankrupt, so the Government had to take
it over, and is now running it at a loss. On
the way to the hotel I passed two others
erected since my last visit.The Prinz Heinrich was well fitted with
guests, mostly officials and their wives, and
the broad road before it, now completed, sug-
gests on a small scale the front at Brighton.
I went to call on the chief of staff, who is in-
stalled in a delightful Chinese yamen, one of
the few Chinese buildings that remain, and
then on the governor, who lives across the hill
over the back. Here I saw similar evidences
of the extraordinary progress that they have
made—well-graded roads in various directions,
stretching off into the country, handsome new
houses, every other one with a tower or spire
that gives them a most ecclesiastical appear-
ance, and a large hotel right over the broad,
sandy beach, dotted with bathing boxes.

FED BY GOVERNMENT MONEY.

I met some correspondents at the hotel who
are waiting for the Russians to make another
daring sortie, and also met some German
friends, who took me to their club and were
extremely courteous in showing me around
and most justly proud, of what they have ac-
complished up to the present, but make no
secret whatever of their doubts as to the ulti-
mate success of their experiment. Several
frankly expressed their conviction that it
would fail. The whole place now is being
fed and maintained by Government money,
and has yet shown no returns, or no imme-
diate prospect of returning any interest on
the huge amounts expended. A curiously
interesting development has taken place, viz.,
that the Japanese appear to be reaping the
principal harvest from the German labours.
The Japanese, who one may say are only next
door, or just across the ferry, manufacture just
these cheap goods for which there is a demand
up the country, so that, as a result, a large
number of Japanese ships come in; and the
Japanese are developing a very considerable
trade, which has every prospect of rapidly
expanding. The Germans of the East, as they
are often called, are, in fact, beating the Ger-
mans of the West on their own captured
territory.All the men I spoke to agreed that it was
only a matter of time when the German people
would get tired of paying, paying, while no
money was coming in in return. The majority
agreed that then the place would financially
collapse, and its progress be brought to a
complete standstill.

NO SPONTANEOUS LIFE.

Behind the Prinz Heinrich Hotel another
large Government building is in course of con-
struction, and on the shore, near the light-
house, a large floating dock is nearing comple-
tion. Throughout the whole place, apart from
what the Germans are doing, there is an ab-
sence of spontaneous native life and activity,
such, for instance, as is to be seen in Chifu,
which it was intended that Tsingtau shouldrival. Chifu looks a perfect hive of busy in-
dustry with a dense population crowding its
streets and wharves outside which the junk
are packed like sardines. Here the streets are
like broad dried riverbeds through which a
hardly-perceptible stream trickles. The mag-
nificent wharves will never, I should think, be
filled with shipping, and the wide sewers of
their admirable drainage system are considered
by the Chinese as a means in case of need by
which they can make their escape to the sea.
It would only be the eternal justice of things
that this place should not succeed and that
these massive buildings should become tomb-
stones over the grave of a gigantic failure. The
annexation of this territory by Germany, as
alleged compensation for the murder of two
Catholic priests by an irresponsible mob, was
as flagrant a piece of robbery as modern history
can show.Who knows? It may be taken from the Ger-
mans also. More unlikely things have hap-
pened than that within the next twenty-five
years the flag of the Rising Sun may be flying
from the poles from which now flutter that of
the German Eagle.

ANIMAL MARRIAGE.

NATURE'S MANY EXPERIMENTS IN
CONJUGAL UNION.Dr. Woods Hutchinson, who writes in the
Contemporary Review on "Animal Marriage,"
points out that every form of conjugal union
which the ingenuity of man has been able to
devise can be found to exist in full perfection
among the so-called lower animals. From
promiscuity, through union simply for the mat-
ing season, to polygamy, polyandry, and,
finally, monogamy and monandry every pos-
sible phase and form of the institution can be
studied outside of the human species. The
same results appear to have been reached by
experiment here as in our own species, namely,
that in proportion as the species rise in the
scale of aggressiveness and intelligence, prom-
iscuity, or mere mating-season union, tends
to disappear, and either a lasting form of
polygamy, or more frequently, a fairly well
settled form of monogamy, in many cases even
lasting for life, is reached. There is an
absolutely unbroken series of these ties and
relations, beginning with the earliest ap-
pearance of young needing parental care.The lowest stage at which the conjugal tie
becomes really analogous to human marriage,
is reached in the birds and the higher mam-
mals, in which both parents assume a certain
degree of responsibility for the care of the
young, although this, as a rule, is decidedly
limited on the part of the male. It is a curious
fact, and one which has never yet been ade-
quately explained, that this phase of parental
protection is more highly developed in birds
than in the mammals, who are in other re-
spects higher. The great majority of male
birds play quite an active and prominent part
in the protection of the female and the care
of the young. The union is usually for a com-
paratively long period; in some instances actu-
ally reaching the highest human stage, and lasting
as long as life itself does. In mammals, on the
other hand, only a few of the highest have
reached the pitch of paternal protection of the
young for more than the very briefest period,
and absolutely none of them, except man, have
bound themselves to a union lasting throughout
life. The progress of the forms of com-
bination of sexes might be expressed in the
statement that the accumulations of racial
experience tend to show that by the
production of a smaller and smaller num-
ber of offspring and the expenditure upon these
of a greater amount of parental care, better
results can be obtained in efficiency and
capacity for survival.We have living examples of every possible
stage of the solution of this problem, from the
production of eggs by hundreds of thousands,
as in the insects and the fishes, with absolutely
no parental care and a loss from enemies of
ninety-five per cent, through the intermediate
types of mammals, with their broods of from
six to a dozen members, and with an infant
mortality of probably not more than fifty per
cent, up to the highest mammals, including
man, with but a single offspring at a birth and
an infant mortality of twenty per cent. And
the Doctor believes that almost every individ-
ual instance will be found to be explainable
by conformity to this law, in so far as circum-
stances permit; each progressive organism
giving the greater amount of care and protec-
tion to the young, and thus causing the race
to grow and progress; while each retrogressive
or degenerate organism gives a smaller amount
of parental care than is necessary to maintain
the race at its level.

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1904. [1293]

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FOR NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS made
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in this Colony on the 8th October, 1904, but
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F. J. BADELEY,

Capt. Supt. of Police.

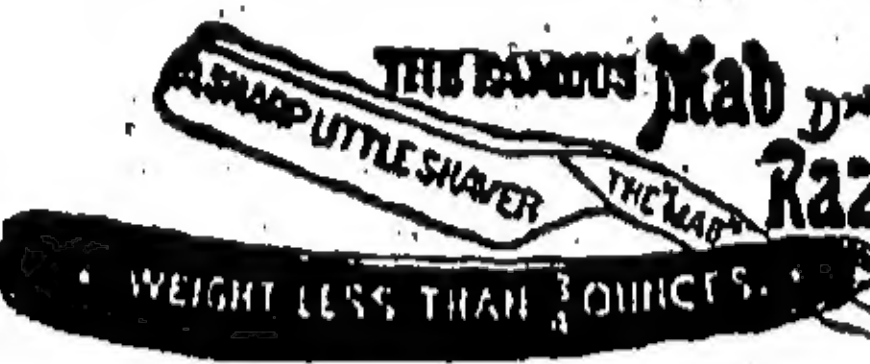
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NOTICE.

THE VICTORIA HAIR DRESSING
SALOON will be RE-OPENED about
1st February, 1905. See future Advertisement.

VICTORIA HAIR DRESSING SALOON.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1904. [1294]

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1904.

THE GOVERNOR AND ROWING.

Cricket and football have been termed our national pastimes, and while there is no doubt they will still maintain their hold upon the public it is refreshing to note that the old British sport of rowing has apparently taken on a fresh lease of life in Hongkong. As year after year goes by the interest exhibited in the various races organised by the Victoria Recreation Club, and the Hongkong Boat Club increases and the general standard of rowing improves, with the result that we now have many keenly contested competitions. Fortunately H. E. Major Sir Matthew Nathan is an administrator whose sporting proclivities are being discovered very quickly, and quite a large number of little proofs are coming to light of the extent to which he supports the many forms of healthy recreation in the Colony. His reputation as polo player long preceded his arrival here from the Gold Coast, and we have since seen how cleverly he can handle the mallet. During the interport cricket week His Excellency watched the matches with keen interest and although he does not profess to be a wielder of the willow we have it on his own authority that he will always be willing to give his support to the "King of games." He has attended the monthly gymkhanas at Happy Valley, enjoyed watching a stubbornly fought "footer" match, and in many ways shown his desire to encourage sport in the Colony. We now learn on good authority that he intends interesting himself, in a practical way, with rowing, and early next year, probably in February, may pull with a crew of Royal Engineers in a four-oared race against Royal Artillerymen. The preliminary steps are now being taken with a view of organising a regatta to be held at Kowloon, under the auspices of no particular boating or recreation club. We understand that H.E. the Governor has already promised to present a cup to be competed for and that several events, including a race between Civil Service cadets, have been decided upon. The value of his practical interest in Hongkong rowing will be great, and His Excellency's enthusiasm for the sport may do much towards bringing other sportsmen to the front. It is a pleasure to know that the King's representative here has so quickly ingratiated himself with the community, and he will certainly find that in associating himself so intimately with the boating-men of the Colony that he has around him many thorough "sports."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

FIVE people have been burned to death at Shanghai as the result of a fire which broke out in a native wood shop in the early hours of Saturday morning.

STEAM navigation, the full length of the Yukon, is practically closed. The river is full of ice. The output of the Klondike this season is nine and one-half millions.

THE *China Times* says that Mrs. Major Cleveland, I. M. S., formerly a Miss Delring of Tientsin, is accompanying her husband on the Indian Government Mission to Afghanistan.

A New York correspondent says it is reported that the Standard Oil Trust has acquired control of the New York Central Railway, which, with the recently-seized Union Pacific, makes the Trust the most important trunk line owners in the States.

THE *P. and T. Times* says that the Board of Commerce (Shanghai) has requested the Waipatu to notify the Imperial Maritime Customs that the registration of trade marks is not to be postponed, but is to go on as originally announced.

ACCORDING to the *Japan Herald*, the work of dredging Yokohama harbour, which has been in progress some time, is now complete and vessels with a draught of 35 feet can now be easily accommodated. The *Minnesota*, of the Great Northern Steamship Co. of America, which is expected shortly, will find ample room for anchorage.

AT Lloyd's the privileged observer can see, any the *Phoenix*, a huge map set up against a wall, showing day by day the position in which the Russian Fleet is to be found. The rates of insurance are sensibly influenced by the position of this Fleet.

ACCORDING to the *China Times*, a fine wharf has now been constructed along the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's new building in the Japanese Concession, Tientsin. The wharf is 300 feet long and 24 feet wide. It will soon become one of the busiest places in Tientsin.

THE *N. C. D. News* has issued a map of the country between Linoyang and Mukden, the scene of the present operations of the main Russian and Japanese armies. It contains references to upwards of 700 places, the names of which are alphabetically arranged.

THE Empress Dowager was most determined that the strictest economy should be observed in the celebration of her birthday at Peking, and the cost has accordingly been reduced to twelve million taels. Her Majesty's refusal to receive presents was not interpreted too strictly, and H. M. received over Tls. 1,300,000 in money alone, the biggest single offering from outside the capital being H. E. Yuan Shih-kai's contribution of Tls. 400,000.

By kind permission of Col. Caulfield and Officers, the band of the 110th Mahatma Light Infantry will play the following selections at the Hongkong Hotel, to-morrow evening, the 3rd inst.:

March....."Young Blagie".....Arbuckle.
Overture....."The King and the Royal Family".....Supt.
Selection....."The Barrack Room Ballad".....Colby.
Valse....."The Chorister".....Phillips.
Selection....."H.M.S. Pinelore".....Goffrey.
Farewell....."The Chumblers".....Hartmann.
God Save The King.

AT the supper at the Hongkong Club which followed the fête on the Cricket Ground there, the Hongkong Empire, Mr. A. G. Ward, acknowledged with hearty apologies and regrets that two mistaken decisions on his part gave the match to Hongkong which would otherwise have been won by Shanghai. Twice he gave Hongkong batsmen "not out," when they were really "out," and this gave Hongkong 80 runs which these batsmen subsequently compiled. —*M. C. D. News.*

It is announced that an Italian colonel, who has invented a very practicable device for cutting the wires connecting a fortress with mines laid outside, is in negotiation with a foreign Power for the sale of the invention. The inventor claims that by his system a few soldiers can without danger, and in perfect silence, cut some thousands of wires in a few minutes. The device was tried recently near Rome before a committee of general officers with much success. It is thought that the foreign Power in question is Japan.

FROM the *Foochow Echo* of the 19th ult. we learn that Chinese loyalty displayed itself in glowing demonstrations at Foochow on the Empress Dowager's birthday. A fête was given at the Native Custom-house by the Tartar General's Deputy assisted by Mr. A. Michie, and the Customs sailing cruiser *Min Lung*, the "Dragon of the Min," was outlined completely with red lanterns. The Tartar General, the Viceroy, and the other high officials gave a banquet with theatricals to the Foreign Consuls, at which the doyen, Mr. S. K. Gracey, proposed the health of the Empress Dowager and Emperor.

MANY great battles have been fought in the snow. Eylau and Hohenlinden being familiar examples. Austerlitz was fought in tensely cold weather and the Russian losses were increased by Napoleon turning the fire of his artillery on the frozen lakes over which the Russians sought to retreat. In the U. S. Civil War, Fort Donnellson was captured in February, Fredericksburg was fought in December, Stone River on December 31, 1862, January 2, 1863, and Thomas defeated and ruined Hood's army at Nashville on the 15th and 16th of December, 1864. Hence it will be seen that history does not warrant us in believing that the war in the East will pass into an unofficial truce when the snow begins to drift. —*Boston Transcript.*

UNDER the management of Mr. R. Pescio, Messrs. Gregor and Company have opened a branch of their wine and spirit business at No. 34 Queen's Road Central, in the premises lately vacated by Messrs. Powell and Company. Mr. Pescio, who has been connected with this trade for the past eighteen years, has just returned from a trip to Europe, where he has made selections of such stocks of wines as his long experience has taught him are suitable to the climate, many his selections never having been imported into Hongkong before. It is only necessary to mention such well-known firms as Messrs. Marie Brizard, of Bordeaux, etc., Bouchard père et fils, for burgundy, Perinet et fils for champagne, U. Fazzini for clarets, John Robertson for whisky, and Schweppes for aerated waters to show that Messrs. Gregor are dealing only in the best articles on the market. The catalogue they are issuing is particularly artistic, and as an innovation contains recipes for some twenty cocktails and mixed drinks. A trial should satisfy even the most fastidious.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CHALLENGE SHIELD.

Clubs wishing to take part in this season's competition should notify the hon. secretary, Mr. H. C. Gray, China Traders' Ins. Co., Ltd., on or before the 31st December, 1904. Each competing Club should at the same time send to the hon. secretary of the Hongkong Football Competition the name and address of its secretary, and its distinguishing colours or costume, together with an entrance fee of \$5.

FAREWELL TO THE FORRESTERS.

WELCOME TO THE WEST KENTS.

Last night a very enjoyable evening was spent among the junior non-commissioned officers of the Royal Engineers, Royal Army Medical Corps, Royal West Kent Regiment and 1st Sherwood Foresters in the N.C.O.'s Mess Room at Wellington Barracks. The occasion was a smoking concert given by the Junior N.C.O.'s, R.E. and R.A.M.C. to bid farewell to their comrades-in-arms, of the Sherwood Foresters, and at the same time, to extend a welcome to their new friends of the Royal West Kents. The programme was sparkling throughout, says a correspondent, and was not allowed to flag for a moment. The "Two B's" were in great entertaining form and gave their duets with as much freshness as ever, whilst Burnett and James kept the gathering in an uproar of laughter with their various highly amusing songs. Messrs. Ray and Wolfe and several others added greatly to the harmony of the evening, suitable speeches being made, and responded to, the party breaking up after having spent a most enjoyable evening's entertainment.

The following committee looked after the arrangements, and took care of the comfort of their guests: President, Staff Sergeant H. J. A. McCaffery, and Staff Sergeants E. J. Menage, and A. T. Walslow, and Corporal F. T. Wood.

After supper Sergeant Major Morgan, R.E., called upon all present to charge their glasses, and this having been done the toast of "The King and the Royal Family" was duly honoured. "Smokes" were then handed round, and as soon as every one was contentedly puffing away, the concert began and every item of the programme was heartily appreciated by the audience. During the evening the President presented Sergeant Major Roberts of the Sherwood Foresters, on behalf of himself and his fellow non-commissioned officers, with a large handsomely framed photograph of members of the Royal Engineers Mess. This was received and suitably acknowledged by the Sergeant Major amid the cheers of the assembled company. The programme, which had been most artistically penned by Staff Sergt. McCaffery, was as follows:—

PART I.

Overture.....Orchestra { St. Sgt. Harris, R.E.
S. T. Jenkins, R.E.
Cpl. Roberts, R.E.
Toast.....The King and S. M. Morgan, R.E.
Song.....Humorous.....S. S. Walslow, R.E.
Song.....Selected.....Q. M. S. Randall, S.F.
Piccolo Solo.....Selected.....Sgt. Carbury, S.F.
Song.....Old Brigade.....Q. M. S. Bacon, R.E.
Mandolin Solo.....Selected.....S. M. Allwork, R.A.M.C.
Song.....Gallery & Boxes S. S. Taylor, R.E.
Violin Solo.....The Broken Melody

Song.....Mona.....Sgt. Jenkins, R.E.
Recitation.....The 9th Mounted Infantry
Sgt. Arthur, S.F.
Song.....Powder Monkey.....Q. M. S. Minion, R.E.
Song.....Bill Bailey.....Sgt. Dailey, S.F.
Song.....There is no room for me
C. S. Fielding, S.F.

PART II.

Selection.....Orchestra { S. S. Harris, R.E.
Sgt. Jenkins, R.E.
Cpl. Roberts, R.E.
Toast.....Our Departing
Comrades.....S. M. Morgan, R.E.
Song.....Selected.....Mr. Oxberry, S.F.
Response.....S. M. Roberts, S.F.

Song.....Selected.....C. Sgt. Lovatt, S.F.
Trio.....S. S. Walslow, Q. M. S. Bacon, & S. S. Harris, R.E.
Song.....Comic.....Jimmy Donovoski.
Duet.....Pilot Brave.....Q. M. S. Bacon, R.E., & S. S. Harris, R.E.

Legerdemain.....Mr. Howorth.
Song.....Selected.....Mr. L. Rogers.
Violin Solo.....My Dream.....Sgt. Jenkins, R.E.
Song.....Selected.....Q. M. S. Jones, R.E.
Song.....Selected.....Sgt. Simpson, R.E.

Song.....Action, Front and C. S. Sention, R.E.
Song.....Under the shadow S. S. Harris, R.E. of the Pa
God Speed Ye Merry Gentlemen.
(Two Gentlemen of Verona).
GOD SAVE THE KING.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Hongkong Rifle Association's competition, to take place to-morrow, Saturday, will be for spoons. Shooting will commence at half past two o'clock, the ranges being 200, 300, and 400 yards. Seven shots and a sighter to be fired at each range. There will be a practice for the Imperial match.

HARVESTING CIRCUS.

At the Circus to-night will take place the first amateur jumping competition, to the winner in which a handsome trophy will be given by the management. This should attract a large audience of those interested in sport. To-morrow afternoon the usual bi-weekly *matinee* will be held, children being admitted half price. On Monday night H. E. Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G., has expressed his intention of being present with a large party from Government House. There will be an entire change of programme on that night. We may mention that the fourth lioness has now quite recovered from her indisposition, and will perform with the others for the first time this evening.

NAVAL NOTES.

H.M. Storeship *Hunter* arrived from Shanghai this morning, and H.M.S. *Rosier* left for Singapore to-day.

H.M.S. *Vengeance* went into dry dock at Kowloon this afternoon for the purpose of having her bottom scraped and cleaned. She took her stores in yesterday and it is supposed that as soon as she is out of the hands of the dock people she will leave for Wei-hai-wei, probably about the 16th inst.

Approp of the disappearance of sloops, of which some naval officials are in favour and others against our naval correspondence is of opinion that it is nearly time they were done away with as being no good as a fighting unit in time of war and next to useless in river work. In most cases they draw as much as 14 or 15 ft. of water and cannot really go much farther up rivers than the larger ships with safety. Torpedo destroyers have proved their worth and would be a great deal more useful to the China Fleet.

That the Admiralty is awake to the need of getting as many trained gunners men as possible in the navy, is evidenced by the orders issued at home and acted on by all ships away from England. A correspondent writes that about 40 or 50 men, mostly young, able seamen have successfully been put through a long course of gunnery in battleships and large cruisers of the China fleet. The *Glory* has already sent about 40 men home, while H.M.S. *Vengeance* will shortly return an equal number. It has been specially noted that the average bluejacket has taken very kindly to the advanced science of modern gunnery and the failures have been very few, indeed the average points in the passing exams. have been excellent. These examinations are not final as each man has a further course to go through in the gunnery schools at home. The rating in H.M.'s ships for these men has been an advance on their present gunnery qualifications, viz:—(1) A man who is only a trained man goes through and if it is raised to Qualified in Gunnery; (2) Men Qualified in Gunnery are passed into seamen gunners; (3) Seamen gunners qualify for gunlayers, a rating equal to Captain of Gun. If successful ships are rated acting and in passing again at home are confirmed in the ratings for which they have passed.

IN A JAPANESE PRISON.

COMPARISONS WITH ENGLISH GAOLS.

A recent issue of *Temple Bar* contained an interesting account of a visit to a Tokio Prison, in the course of which the writer made the following notable observations:—Entering the prison through three heavily barred gates we found ourselves in a fine hall, the walls of which, covered with white tiles, looked clean and cool. The spotless floor was of red brick, and from this spring skeleton galleries of iron on which the cells open. This English system of division was adopted, my guide told me, in preference to others when the place was built twelve years ago. Opening the door of one of the cells, the Deputy-Governor showed me a small room as clean as and more comfortable than the cell of an English prisoner. Here there is more light allowed, both natural and artificial, as well as more air, as the window is bigger than that in an English gaol. The gas jet, too, is better placed for reading, and the ceiling a good deal more lofty. Of course there is here no plank bed, only a rug and mat for each person, supplemented by the old shaped wooden pillow—in shape much like a flat-iron—so beloved by the Japanese. Here, too, there is no solitary confinement, save as a punishment; each cell contains two, three, or four prisoners as a rule, who do not work in the cells, but in the workshops. The four occupants of the cell I visited were to be seen later in the carpenter's shop.

From this cell I was taken to the chapel of the prison, a small Buddhist temple, adorned with a large figure of Amida, joss-sticks, gongs and bronze storks—movable, all these to be replaced by another shrine when required for Shinto worship, as is the Catholic altar when the chapel of an English gaol is in use by the Protestants. Here were a number of juvenile prisoners—bright looking boys—with oddly shaved heads like that of a Japanese doll. These were dressed in Kimonos—loose dressing gowns—blue or deep maroon in colour, and wadded like an eider-down quilt. They sat in a row before the altar while a picturesque old priest in blue and yellow instructed them in the mysteries of their religion. Hence we passed to a number of large, airy workshops, traversing en route the prison yard, here—no hideous expanse of sand bounded by dreary walls, but a stretch of yellow gravel bordered by long beds of flowering beans and clumps of shrubs. The workshops hummed like hives as we entered them—all the workshop prisoners chattering and laughing with apparently little restraint from the few warders placed among them, giving instructions, or speaking to a prisoner in a good-natured way. I was told that although there are no less than 2,500 prisoners in the gaol, a comparatively very small number of warders is necessary to guard them. In the workshops, in spite of the chatter, all the prisoners were working hard. The work done is of a very varied character. One workshop is devoted to the manufacture of Government post bags—these of red colour; in another I saw large blazing out red hot bars that would have seemed dangerous to outsiders and warders alike, had not the prisoner blacksmiths looked so brave and amiable; further on is a large and well-arranged carpenter's shop stocked with every modern appliance for working in wood; and beyond this a long room full of looms in which rugs and carpets were being made. The prisoners, my guide told me, work from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m., and are well paid; to that, after even a comparatively short time of imprisonment, a Japanese of the poorer classes (who can and do live as a rule in comfort on 20 or less per head a day) is well provided for some time on repatriating his family.

Close to the workshops are large baths, very clean and well arranged, and a great kitchen, where dinner was being prepared by smiling convict cooks, who invited me to taste the prison rations, which consisted of rice, potatoes, and a little fish, and tasted excellent.

THE RECENT FIRE AT KENNEDY TOWN GODOWNS.

INQUIRY OPENED.

At the Magistrate's this afternoon, Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz reported an inquiry into the cause of the recent fire at Kennedy Town Godowns, whereby an immense amount of valuable merchandise was destroyed.

The Magistrate in opening the Court said the inquiry was held under the Ordinance of 1895. The Captain Superintendent of Police had taken possession of these premises, and made a report on which he had decided to hold this inquiry. Under section 4 of the Ordinance it was lawful for an Inspector of Police or four interested persons to examine the witnesses in the matter that such persons might give due and proper information as to the cause of the fire. Anybody interested in the insurance effected on the buildings could put any questions that were relevant to the issue.

Most of the Insurance Companies were represented, Mr. H. W. Looker appearing for Messrs. Siemens and others, Mr. Cottil representing Messrs. Bradley and Company, whilst most of the Chinese Companies were represented by their Chinese managers.

The Magistrate then read Inspector Collier's report made shortly after the fire.

The first witness was, Chan Wing, manager of the Fu Fung Chinese firm in Wing Lok Street West. He said that shortly after 4 p.m. on the 23rd ult., he received information of the fire, and on proceeding to the spot found it raging in No. 3 godown, whilst the other godowns soon caught. He could not get near the fire. In the godowns his firm had stored 5,84 bags of rice, each bag containing 100 lbs.; 875 casks of broken glass, a quantity of brass and brass tubing, the latter weighing about 25 piculs; ten bags of cotton wool, and other goods. The whole was insured for \$55,000, in eight different Companies. His godown books were all burned. These were kept by the godown-keeper.

Examined by Mr. Looker:—There were six partners in the business. His business was to buy, and sell from the godowns. He knew what was in the godown at the time of the fire from the books. He had not been in the godown for about a fortnight before the fire. He could not say where or how the fire was stored. The godown-keeper who slept there, could tell. Some of the rice in the godown had been sold but not delivered. He had no idea how much. Not so much as half of it was sold.

Up See, the godown keeper, was called and said that he lived on the premises, of which he kept the keys. He made the entries in the godown books which had been completely destroyed. About three o'clock on the afternoon in question he heard a lot of coolies shouting "fire" in No. 2 Godown. He went out and saw a lot of smoke coming from the godown. He went back to his own godown, locked it, ran to the shop and reported what had happened. He tried to return, but could not get near the fire, his own godown being then in flames.

Examined by Mr. Looker:—He slept upstairs in the godown, and kept his books there. When he heard the noise made by the coolies in No. 2 godown he was sitting at the front door of his godown. He could not hear what they were saying, so got up and went through the main door of No. 2 godown which he saw was on fire. The coolies were shouting and trying to put out the flames. He then found smoke coming into his godown. He did not go upstairs to get the books because he was afraid of the flames. He used in the room where he slept, a small pea nut oil lamp. Occasionally when they worked cargo at night they used lamps. At the time of the fire, they had on the premises only a few caddies of kerosene. This was kept on the ground floor, near the door.

Mr. Looker drew attention to a number of discrepancies between the evidence given by this witness now, and what he said before the police the day following the fire.

The case was adjourned until eleven o'clock to-morrow morning.

CRICKET.

HILLS V. PLAINS.

The match fixed for Saturday next on the Cricket ground is *Hills v. Plains*, and play commences at 11.30 a.m. The following have been selected to play:—

Hills:—T. Sercombe Smith, R. Hancock, H. Hancock, J. T. Dixon, A. Mackenzie, H. G. C. Biley, G. E. Morrell, C. M. C. Burnie, C. H. Fallon, W. Dixon and Major C. Cichester. *Plains*:—Com. T. Sheldford, R.N., Eng. Lt. de Paris, R.N., W. F. Lumsden, R.N., A. G. Ward, W. Daniel, C. H. Mackay, R. E. O. Bird, T. E. Pearce, T. C. Gray, F. C. Butcher, and Rev. H. R. Wells.

FOOTBALL.

The Hongkong Football Club will play H.M. Naval Yard under Association Rules on the Club ground at Happy Valley to-morrow. Kick-off at 4.15 p.m. The following will represent the Club:—T. H. Rew, goal; W. G. Leckie and E. F. Aucott, backs; H. C. Gray, Macpherson and R. Henderson, halves; A. O. Lang, N. H. Rutherford, W. H. Williams (capt.), J. Clarke, H. L. Garrett, forwards; Referee Mr. C. Drew.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

English (*Bengal*) 3rd inst.
Indian (*Kunyang*) 5th inst.
German (*Seydlitz*) 8th inst.
American (*Dart*) 8th inst.
American (*Manila*) 17th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 19th inst.

The Silk ex P. M. S. S. Co. Ltd. *Mongolia*, which sailed from Hongkong on 4th September, was delivered in New York, in considerably less than six days.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's.)

The Anglo-Russian Commission.

LONDON, 30th November.
Admiral Dewey has declined to serve on the North Sea Commission, because as senior officer he will be compelled to give decisions which will probably be distasteful to either party.

Japanese Immigration to Australia.

Mr. Bruce Smith will move on the 8th December, in the House of Representatives, an amendment to the immigration restriction permitting the entrance of Japanese to the Commonwealth on the ground that they have placed themselves in the front rank of nations, granted religious freedom, and become an honoured ally of Great Britain.

LATER.

The North Sea Inquiry Commission.

Rear-Admiral Davies, the most junior flag officer in the United States Navy, has been offered the appointment on the Inquiry Commission.

(N. C. D. News.)

The Siege of Port Arthur.

Tokio, 26th November.
The whole of Tokio is anxiously expecting good news from Port Arthur; it is understood that an extensive bombardment was opened this morning.

27th November.

The general attack was opened at midnight yesterday.

LATER.

The Japanese are stated to have climbed up the breastworks of the forts on Erhlungshan, Sungshushan, and the north fort on Tungchi-kuanshan, and opened a general attack at midnight. The Russians are making a desperate defence with temporary earthworks at the back of the forts, the Japanese bombardment destroying the surrounding walls and other defences.

LATER.

It is officially announced that the attacking operations on Sungshushan and East Ghikuan-shan are nearly completed, the assault having been opened on the afternoon of the 26th. The Russian resistance is stubborn, but its object has not been accomplished, and fighting is continuing. It is stated that Erhlungshan is nearly occupied.

General Nicholson's Recovery.

Tokio, 26th November.
General Nicholson, the British military attaché, leaves again for the front to-morrow.

FIRE IN DES VŒUX ROAD.

Last evening, about half past six o'clock, the fire bell summoned the Brigade to an outbreak at No. 33 Des Vœux Road West, a store or godown, owned by Chinese, and filled with bags of sugar, and dry and inflammable goods of various descriptions. The firemen, in charge of Mr. E. R. Hallifax, and Mr. H. G. Baker, were soon on the spot, and were not long in subduing the flames, the conflagration being entirely got under by about a quarter to nine o'clock. Beyond a considerable quantity of sugar and some piles of old dunnage mats being destroyed the damage was not very serious, the loss amounting to not more than \$500, the whole property being insured with Chinese for \$12,000. "And now is the winter of our discontent," say the members of the Fire Brigade.

FIGHTING ON THE SHAHO.

A RUSSIAN REPULSE.

The Imperial Headquarters at Shanghai received an official report from the Headquarters of the Commander-in-chief of the Manchurian army on the evening of the 24th November to the following effect:—

At about 1 a.m. of the 24th November an infantry detachment of the enemy frequently tried to attack the front line of our advance post at the north of Lamutung but our men, firing upon them, repulsed them towards the north.

At the time the enemy's artillery bombarded the neighbourhood of the railway bridge on the Shaho by firing twenty or thirty shots but did not cause any loss or damage to us.

THE KIAOCHAU BUDGET.

The Budget for Kiaochau for 1905 is as follows:—

	Income.	1905	1904
The colony's own re.	M.	M.	
venues	636,000	505,300	
Allowance of the treasury	14,660,000	12,583,000	
Total	15,296,000	13,088,300	
	Expenses.	M.	M.
Ordinary.			
Civil administration	1,101,693	984,504	
Military administration	2,711,897	2,493,350	
Joint expenses	2,194,531	1,973,888	
Total	6,006,121	5,451,742	
Extraordinary.			
Harbour	3,473,000	3,473,000	
Other public works	1,904,000	1,784,000	
Dwelling houses	100,000	100,000	
Afforestation	80,000	80,000	
Fortifications	2,500,000	500,000	
Lighthouses, etc.	40,000	40,000	
Floating Dock	1,100,000	1,500,000	
Electrical works		220,000	
Total	9,257,000	7,697,000	
Reserve-funds	32,879	29,552	
Ordinary expenses	6,006,121	5,451,742	
Total	15,296,000	13,088,300	

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BAND IN THE PUBLIC GARDENS.

Following is the programme of music to be performed by the band of the 2nd Royal West Kent Regiment, in the Public Gardens, on Monday next, from 4 to 6 p.m.:—

March: "Auld Johnnie" (Kilgobbin).
Overture: "The Rose Tree" (Sullivan).
Selection from "The Gondoliers" (Sullivan).
Valse: "The Gondoliers" (Sullivan).
Song (Cantata Solo): "Sing me to Sleep" (Grieg).
(b) Serenade: "The Gondoliers" (Sullivan).
(c) Minuet: "The Gondoliers" (Sullivan).
Fantasia: "The Gondoliers" (Sullivan).
Three Dances from "The Gondoliers" (Sullivan).
God Save the King.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, 1st December.

FIRE.

A fire broke out in a shop a little to the north of the Canton Hospital this morning at one o'clock. The wind was high, and it looked as if the fire would spread. The Hospital Church is being enlarged and repaired and a large match has been put up to cover the building. The sparks from the fire fell on this shed and for a time it seemed that it would catch fire. Water was played over the shed and the danger averted. Three shops were burned. It is rumoured this morning that the shop in which the fire originated took out a fire insurance policy a few days ago and that the fire was caused to claim the insurance.

CANTON MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The Canton Missionary Conference met in William's Hall, Shamoo, yesterday afternoon. There was a fair attendance, Rev. Chas. Bone read a paper entitled, "The Preacher and his Models."

ROBBERY IN SHUN TAK.

The farmers in the Shun Tak district are having a hard time. The rice harvest is on and yet many of them dare not cut the rice. Formerly the robbers in Shun Tak were under one chief. This robber chief levied blackmail on all the farmers, upon the payment of a certain sum the farmers were allowed to harvest the rice in peace. This year a reward has been offered for this chief. The soldiers have been so hot on his trail that he has had to leave the neighbourhood. Following his departure the robbers have been broken up into numerous bands. The head of each band demands blackmail of the farmer; no one will guarantee that the payment of the money will secure the farmer from attack by other bands. So it remains the farmers dare not cut the rice. The local officials will not or cannot protect them. One rich man has come to Canton and hired soldiers to protect his workmen, but the whole district is disturbed. A well-informed man from Shun Tak said the other day that the farmers would not realize more than half a crop this year after paying the numerous squeezes.

IMPROVEMENTS IN CANTON.

There are several important improvements being carried forward at the present time. The Bund moves forward slowly. For a time there was great activity just below the wharves of the Hongkong and Canton steamers. The filling in was done and the stone wall built for a considerable distance. Then come orders for the work to be pushed at the east end of the city. For some time active operations have been carried on in the neighbourhood of the official landing. It is said that in some places the filling has been carried too far out into the river and must be removed. Of course it is natural that the Reclamation Company should wish to reclaim as much as possible. The reclaimed land is selling from six to ten dollars a square foot.

THE CANTON CHRISTIAN COLLEGE.

Plans have just been completed for the first permanent building of the Canton Christian College. The estimated cost of this building is something over \$80,000. It is hoped that work will be begun upon it before long. Mr. Stoughton, the architect from New York, has prepared the plans, but the erection of the buildings will be under the supervision of Messrs. Parnell and Pagett of Canton. The building will be of iron and cement and will be practically fire proof. It will accommodate 200 boys.

The following extract from the New York Times gives some idea of what the College is to be:—

"Within a very few weeks active work will begin in China upon what is undoubtedly destined to be the largest college in that country devoted to board educational principles in the English language and in accordance with the most modern high school and college methods. This institution is the Canton Christian College. It occupies temporary quarters in the suburbs of Canton at present, where the work has been carried on for five years. During that time the trustees and others in this country who are interested in the development of the college and its work have been raising money and planning a permanent system of buildings, which, when completed, will offer facilities for 3,000 or more Chinese students, besides containing ample room for the residences of the teachers and officers of the college."

"This large property will not assume a collegiate appearance all at once. Several years undoubtedly will be required before the ambitious scheme of the founders will be realized. The first and most difficult part of the work, however, has already been achieved. The college is organized, the foundation has been laid, several teachers, graduates of American universities, are in charge of the educational work of the college at present, a fund of over \$100,000 has been raised to begin the permanent college buildings, and the land—thirty-five acres—has just been purchased."

Other improvements that are going forward are the buildings at the Mint, the French Hospital, near the Cathedral, and facing on the river, the enlargement of the plant of the Baptist Publication Society, the new Canton Hospital, which is slowly creeping up. There are the many buildings on both sides of the Macao Reach not the least of which are the Standard Oil Company's Works.

JAPANESE RESERVISTS.

PASS THROUGH HONGKONG.

It will be remembered by our readers that some six weeks ago we recorded in these columns the fact that the Emperor of Japan had issued a manifesto recalling all the Japanese reservists, then sojourning in foreign countries to reinforce his army now operating against Russia. As a result of this it is understood that large numbers of students in the universities in the United States and on the Continent immediately returned to their mother country to take up arms against the Russian forces. As a sequel there arrived to-day in this harbour, en route to Japan, 829 Japanese, of all sorts and conditions including mechanics and labourers, refugees who fled to Europe from Siberia upon the outbreak of the war and found refuge in Germany, principally in Berlin. Upon being informed of the proclamation of their Emperor they beseeched the Japanese Minister at the Imperial Court of Germany to assist them to return to their own country with all despatch. Their minister, Mr. Inouye, at once negotiated for a steamer with the result that the N. D. L. S. *Willehad* was chartered for the conveyance of the returning refugees to Japan. She arrived this morning, reporting "all well." The *Willehad* continues her voyage at six o'clock this evening, and is expected to arrive in Nagasaki on the morning of the 7th inst. The Japanese will then immediately be taken charge of by the military authorities and disposed of as necessity and occasion require. When interviewed to-day the reservists said that while they were in Siberia before the outbreak of the war, some of the officers of the Russian army treated them very kindly and courteously, though others, though they had no authority over them whatever, did all they could to ill-treat and make life a burden to them. As for the conduct of the Russian private soldiers, they preferred to maintain a discreet but somewhat significant silence. They said they had had a splendid passage out, and appeared to be filled with a martial spirit and a keen anxiety to "go to the front."

The *Willehad* was built by Blohm & Voss, Hamburg, for the freight and steamer traffic. Her length between perpendiculars is 384 feet, width 46 feet, and depth 30 feet. The register tonnage is 5,610 tons. She is built of Siemens-Martin steel, and is a three-deck steamer with fore-castle and poop connected with the mid-ships deck house, and has two pole masts fitted with fore and aft sails. She can carry about 1,000 steerage passengers in great comfort and with great safety. A very agreeable feature of the ship is a large dining room, with serving pantry adjoining, in the fore part of the deck house, and quite distinct from the berthing accommodation, capable of accommodating 200 persons. The entire spacious promenade and upper decks are at the disposition of steerage passengers. The middle part of the promenade deck is covered with a permanent awning deck upon which the life boats are carried; the remaining part of the promenade deck, and the poop deck, are protected by a canvas awning. There is a double bottom available for water ballast, and 8 transverse bulkheads dividing the hull into 9 water-tight compartments.

The cargo space is equal to 107,400 tons capacity, calculated at 40 cubic feet. The arrangements for the rapid handling of the cargo include five large hatchways, six powerful steam winches, two steam cranes and numerous derricks. The machinery consists of two triple expansion engines, aggregating 2,500 indicated horsepower.

QUESTION OF SHARES.

At the U. S. Consular Court, Shanghai, on Saturday last, before Hon. J. Goodnow, Consul-General, A. W. Danforth was sued by T. H. Harris. The latter was represented by Mr. Harold Browett and the defendant elected to appear undefended.

The following was the petition presented:—
1.—The Petition of the above named plaintiff shows that he is a British subject and is a wharf manager, and resides at No. 25 Kung-ping Road, Shanghai. The defendant is a citizen of the United States and within the jurisdiction of this Court.

2.—That on the 9th day of January, 1904, the plaintiff at the request of the defendant lent him five shares in the Maatschappij Tong Mijnsch Bosch Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat, Limited, such shares being plaintiff's property, for the purpose of enabling the defendant to borrow the sum of Tael's 1,000 S.S. for his (defendant's) use and benefit for a period of four months.

3.—That the plaintiff has applied to the defendant for the return of said shares, but the defendant has not returned them. Wherefore your petitioner prays that judgment may be given against the defendant accordingly with interest and costs and they may have such further and other relief as to your honourable Court may seem meet.

The answer of the defendant was as follows:—
1.—Admitted.

2.—The shares referred to were loaned for the purpose of enabling the defendant to obtain the cash against a loan of Tael's 1,000 on twenty-four cases of Chinese books in the plaintiff's godown, on a godown order in the defendant's name duly transferred to plaintiff as security for the said loan, which defendant turned over to third parties, the time not being limited exactly to four months. The said shares had been sold after being pledged for the said loan. Plaintiff seeks the return of same which defendant is using every effort to do by the sale of the said Chinese books to obtain funds to return the shares to petitioner. Defendant therefore prays that the petition be dismissed.

After Mr. Browett had addressed the Court very shortly on behalf of his client, His Honour gave judgment for the plaintiff, but said that stay of execution would be granted for three weeks from date, unless some kind of a settlement was arrived at in the meantime.—*Shanghai Times.*

GUIDES OF THE BUSINESS.

Under the above heading a dealer in foreign articles, at Yokohama, has issued the following "acknowledgement" of our newly-imported goods:—

"Feeling much grateful to learn your prosperity and health, and thanking many for your kind favours bestowed upon us ever since, I now have the honour to notice you strongly that the most fashionable articles of the seasonable requirements, which had been ordered for Europe and America, where we have many closely related manufacturers and companies, have just come to our hands at recently, and we have already prepared to receive your valued orders of our goods, of which we can sell none completed low prices and matchless slight profit, as we are using our utmost power and energy toward on that side, whilst our country is in the critical time, period and capital now in the view of realizing this announcement we would like to present you our painted patterns and types of each article and we trust that they will surely meet with your approvals."

GUIDES OF THE BUSINESS.

Particular character of our firm's business. For desire of fulfilling this announcement and of keeping long run patronages forever, we are carefully attending for the season's and shall never be left behind of one another of importing the same, as we are most advantageously related with many highly respectable firms of the world, and at present though general market prices of our selling goods maintains high rate, and specially of blankets and under-wares for winter time considerably increased for the course of reserved importation in this year and above this occasioned by great demands of army and navy, but we can happily say that we can have pretty enough of quantity, to fill your orders for we had already engaged to deal with many shippers in abroad since this spring time, and so it will be fairly said our goods are cheaper than any other firms.

Our prices are fixed, and you can buy at ease per messenger or entrust us any orders from local distance, but we never ask two prices whether you or another come.

For convenience of our customers, we will issue handsome tickets of goods which are most conveniently used as presentations. Any goods which you bought will be delivered according your commands, to any places if in city.

For local customers, we will take the most convenient way, though money not remitted in advance, we will not fail to execute order on receipt, add carefully packing, mail per parcel post with payment against acceptance. Whether your residence or hotel of city, you will kindly telephone or write what you wanted and then the goods will be soon arranged before you.

It is our intention to treat every body equally whether one bought a piece of handkerchief and another great deal of goods, but we know they are equally our customers, but there were any of disposition displayed on, you will please tell the subject without any hesitation and we would not reserve to correct it justly.

ANCIENT USE OF COAL IN CHINA.

SOME INTERESTING DISCOVERIES.

A correspondent of the *Colliery Guardian* has sent that journal the following notable statement as to the discovery of ancient coal-workings in China, apparently conclusively proving that coal was scientifically mined in that country long before its use was known in Europe. "South of Fushan," he writes, "over the Hun river, are some rich coal mines with good steam coal easily worked. For hundreds of years no one dared to excavate into the sacred hills in which the Imperial Dragon is said to dwell. A few years since, however, the Russo-Chinese Bank obtained a special privilege and found what were believed to be coal beds which had never been worked, and certainly in Chinese historical records, nothing has been found relating to them. The Russians at first laboured with primitive native methods, attacking the nearer coal seams, but later on determined to bore deeper and introduced machinery. A special and highly-trained engineer, M. Hope, was placed in charge, and he discovered that at deeper levels there had existed thick and rich coal beds which had been completely worked out by perpendicular shafts, denoting in every way a high degree of scientific skill which is entirely lacking in all Chinese mining industries within historic times. By a somewhat curious coincidence, some further light has been thrown on the same subject by a correspondent of the *Sydney Bulletin*, who, in looking through Marco Polo's account of his travels in the latter part of the thirteenth century, found the following reference to 'stones which are burnt instead of wood:—' 'It may be observed, also, that throughout the whole province of Cathay there are a kind of black stones cut from the mountains in veins, which burn like logs. They maintain the fire better than wood. If you put them on in the evening they will preserve it the whole night and will be found burning in the morning. Throughout the whole of Cathay this fuel is used. They have also wood indeed, but the stones are much less expensive. This early reference to coal is of especial value because it shows that the Chinese possessed a knowledge of its use 600 years ago, before coal was much used in Europe."

COMMERCIAL.

Shanghai advices, of 26th inst., state:—Business done:—Farnham, Boyds at Tls. 18 1/2, 18 1/4 for December, and at Tls. 18 1/2 for January. Indo-Chinas at Tls. 90 1/2 for November, at Tls. 91 for December, and at Tls. 93 1/2 for March. Langkats at Tls. 31 1/2 for March. Business reported direct:—Farnham, Boyds at Tls. 180 for November, and at Tls. 182 for December. Indo-Chinas at Tls. 91 for December, Shanghai and Hongkew Wharfs at Tls. 164 for December, C.N.I. Pulp at Tls. 170 for January. Wei-hai-wei Golds "Pref" cash, \$10 1/2.

Quotations for the week close as follows:—

Hongkong Banks	... \$710 ss. & b.
Union Insurance	... 685 b.
China Traders	... 631 s.
Hongkong Fires	... 335 b.
H.K. & Macao Steamboats	291 ss. and s.
Indo-Chinas	... 129 b.
China Sugars	... 236 b.
H.K. & Whampoa Docks	... 219 s.
Rauhs	... 5 b.
Farnham	... Tls. 173
Hongkong Lands	... 148
Humphreys Estate	... 123 s.
Hongkong Cottons	... 121 b.
China Borneos	... 113 b.
Dairy Farms	... 30 ss. & b.
Green Island Cements	... 32 s.

Today's Advertisements.

HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

THEATRE ROYAL.

POSITIVE THE LAST.

THE COMEDY OPERA.

DOROTHY.

Will be produced on SATURDAY, 10th December, 1904.

Doors Open at 8.30 P.M., Curtain Rises at 9 P.M.

The Booking Office (at The Robinson Piano Co.) will be open, in GUARANTORS ONLY, on MONDAY, 5th December, and to the General Public on and after 6th December, between the hours of 9 A.M. and 4.30 P.M. each day.

Late Trams: quarter-of-an-hour after fall of Curtain.
Refreshment Bar in the "Stockbroker's Room," near the Dress Circle, for the convenience of Seat-holders in the Dress Circle and Stalls.

The Pit Refreshment Bar is near the Pit Entrance.
Refreshments supplied by the Hongkong Hotel.

Stalls and Dress Circle... \$3
Pit Stalls... 2
Pit... 1
Sailors and Soldiers in uniform half-price to Pit Stalls and Pit.

A. CHAPMAN, Business Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1299]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE, of VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,

situate at Yau-ma-tei, Kowloon, in Six Lots, ON

FRIDAY, the 16th day of December, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the premises,

BY Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1300]

LOT 1.—All That piece of ground registered in the Land Office as Section M. of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 43 with the message thereon known as No. 49 Temple Street.

LOT 2.—All That piece of ground registered in the Land Office as Section N. of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 43 with the message thereon known as No. 53 Temple Street.

LOT 3.—All That portion of the piece of ground registered in the Land Office as Section B of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 105 with the message thereon known as No. 46 Temple Street.

LOT 4.—All That portion of the piece of ground registered in the Land Office as Section B of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 105 with the message thereon known as No. 48 Temple Street.

LOT 5.—All That portion of the piece of ground registered in the Land Office as Section C of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 105 with the message thereon known as No. 5 Kennedy Street.

LOT 6.—All That portion of the piece of ground registered in the Land Office as Section C of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 105 with the message thereon known as No. 7 Kennedy Street.

The above Properties are respectively held from the Crown for the residues of the respective terms of 75 years.
For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to—

EWENS & HARTIG, Solicitors for the Mortgagee, or to Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1300]

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

AND ROYAL MENAGERIE.

OF PERFORMING WILD ANIMALS.

LOCATION: CAUSEWAY BAY, NEAR POLO GROUND.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!

FIRST AMATEUR RIDING CONTEST. FOR PARTICULARS SEE HAND BILLS.

MONDAY NIGHT, 5th December, UNDER THE PATRONAGE AND IN THE IMMEDIATE PRESENCE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR SIR MATTHEW NATHAN, B.E., K.C.M.G., AND SUITE.

A SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR THIS OCCASION.

NEXT MATINEE, TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, December 3rd.

Doors Open 3 o'clock. Commence 4 o'clock. Children Half Price to Matinees only.

PRICES OF ADMISSION: \$1, \$1.50 & 50 Cents (for Chinese only).

N.B.—The Electric Tramway Co. will run Special Cars before and after the Performances.

Booking Office for Box Seats and Dress Circle at the ROBINSON PIANO CO.

MADAME HARMSTON-LOVE, Proprietress.

ROBERT LOVE, Manager.

R. ALTON & A. LEONARD, Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1280]

Today's Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

—MENU—

DINNER, DECEMBER 3RD, 1904.

HORS D'OEUVRES.

Sardines on Toast.

SOUP.

Potage Creme d'Asperges.

FISH.

Smoked and Butter Sauce.

ENTREES.

Vol au Vent of Chicken.

Grilled Fillet of Beef and Green Peas.

Tomatoes a l'italienne.

CURRY.

Sweetbread.

Joint of Beef and Horseradish.

Pudding and Bread Sauce.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MOYUNE"	5th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	14th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SOBRALENSE"	17th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	30th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	27th December.

S.S. "MOYUNE" left Singapore at daylight on the 29th ult., and is expected here about 5th inst.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	6th December.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	20th December.
* GENOA, M'LES, HAVRE & L'POOL	"NINGCHOW"	22nd December.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"DEUCALION"	3rd January, 1905.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"HYSON"	17th January, "
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"HECTOR"	20th January, "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"PRIAM"	31st January, "

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"PELEUS"	28th December.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"TAMING"	6th December.
SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	6th " 4 p.m.
KOBE	"CHINGTU"	7th " "
KOBE	"KANSU"	7th " "
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"KWEILIN"	7th " 4 p.m.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"CHANGSIA"	10th " "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A daily
qualified Surgeon is carried.† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
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AUSTRALIAN PORTS. (SEE SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENT).

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904.

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Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA	SAURDAY, 10th Dec. at 10 A.M.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	—	—

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.FOR NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL.
PROPOSED SAILINGS.

Steamship	About
"CLAUDEALE"	30th December, 1904.
"RAS ISSA"	20th January, 1905.

For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 7th November, 1904.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,FOR
PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail at Daylight on
"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Schmidt	December 13th, 1904.
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Wagner	January 9th, 1905.
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Bremer	January 25th, "
"ARABIA"	4,483	Bahle	February 20th, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and
United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate
with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

TSANG FOO & CO.,
COAL MERCHANTS AND STEVEDORES,
48, DES VŒUX ROAD.SHIPS Coaled from alongside at the shortest
notice, and with all possible despatch.
Prices Moderate. Telephone No. 350.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1904.THE Public are hereby informed that no
change has been made in the Rates of
Subscription to the Hongkong Telegraph and
they are warned against paying more than
TEN CENTS (10 cts.) per Single Copy.
THE MANAGER,
Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 30th September, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
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AUSTRALIAN LINE.

REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES.

From 1st January, 1905.

ALSO REDUCED FARES TO
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Light, First Class Accommodation. Un-
rivalled Table. Daily qualified Surgeon carried.
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Hongkong, 1st February, 1904.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steamers

Tons Captain
"KWONG CHOW" 1,399 J. P. MARTIN.
"KWONG TUNG" 1,338 H. W. WALKER.
Leave Hongkong for Canton at 8.30 Every
Evening (Saturday excepted).
Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5 o'clock
Every Evening (Sunday excepted).
These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled
Accommodation for First Class Passengers and
are lit throughout by Electricity.Passage Fare—Single Journey \$4
Meals (Each) 1The Company's Wharf is a Short Distance
West of the Harbour Master's Office.
SHU ON S.S. CO., LD., and
YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 8, Queen's Road West.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1904.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British Steamship

"YING KING,"
Captain E. J. Page, of 1,088 tons, Registered,
is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously fur-
nished steamer on the line and is lighted
throughout with Electricity; hot and cold water
service. The cuisine is unexcelled.
Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY,
WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING,
at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every
following evening at 5 P.M.
1st Class \$3.00 for Single Journey.
2nd " 1.50
Meals 1.00 each.The steamer's wharf is at the Western end
of Wing Lok Street.
YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 216, Wing Lok Street.
WENDT & Co.,
Canton Agents.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1904.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE Splendid Steamer

"YING KING,"
Captain Page, will make an EXCURSION
TRIP TO MACAO, on EVERY SUNDAY,
leaving the Company's wharf at the end of
Wing Lok Street, at 8.30 A.M., and returning
from Macao at 7.30 P.M.
The Steamer will lay alongside the S.S.
Perseverance's wharf at Macao.FARE:
1st Class Single Ticket \$2.00, with Cabin \$3.00
Return \$3.00.
Tiffin and Dinner must be had on Board
at \$1 each meal.YUK ON & Co., LD.,
S. A. NORONHA,
Macao Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"

Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.R.

THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on
Week Days, at 8 A.M. and on Sun-
days at 5.30 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week
Days at 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 6.30 P.M.
FARES—Week Days, 1st Class, including
Cabin and servant, \$1.50; 2nd Class, \$1.00;
3rd Class, \$0.75; Return Ticket,
\$3; 2nd Class, \$2; 1st Class, \$3.
Every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the
following rates: 1st and 2nd Class, Single
Ticket, \$1; Return, \$3; 3rd Class, Single,
30 cents; Return, 50 cents; Steerage, 10 cents.
Tiffin and Dinner can be supplied
either on Board, or at the Macao Hotel, for
returning passengers only, at an extra charge
of \$2.On Sundays, passengers desiring to have a
Private Cabin which has accommodation for
two or more passengers, will be charged \$3
extra.First Class Passengers, who do not care to
return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed
to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-
duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should
the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to
the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given
by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be
available for the following day.The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.
The Steamer's wharf at Hongkong is at the
Western end of Wing Lok Street.MING ON & Co.,
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1904.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

TO NEW YORK,

via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

1904. About

"ST. HUGO" 6th December.

"SHIMOSA" 18th "

For Freight and further information, apply
toDODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1904.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING."

Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 6th instant,
at 3 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1904.

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods
will be delivered from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed
at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.Cargo remaining on board after the 2nd
December, at 2 P.M., will be landed at Con-
signees' risk and expense into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Co., Limited.Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and
PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE
DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside,
such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1904.

S.S. "TONKIN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London
ex s.s. Cordouan, from Havre ex
s.s. Laos, from Bordeaux ex s.s. Ville de
Marseille, and from Marseilles ex s.s. Tou-
rane, in connection with above Steamer,
are hereby informed that their Goods, with
the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valu-
ables are being landed and stored at their
risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at
Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained
immediately after landing.Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless
intimation is received from the Consignees
before Noon, TO-DAY, requesting it to be
landed here.Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed
after TUESDAY, the 6th December, at Noon,
will be subject to rent and landing charges.All claims must be sent in to me on or be-
fore the 6th December, or they will not be re-
cognised.All damaged packages will be examined on
TUESDAY, the 6th December, at 3 P.M.No Fire Insurance has been effected.
L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 29th November, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"SOCOTRA."

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT
SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by
mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as
the Goods are landed.This vessel brings on Cargo—
From London, &c., ex s.s. Mongolia.
Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
Noon, the 29th instant.Goods not cleared by the 5th December, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees
and the Company's representative at an
appointed hour.All Claims must be presented within ten
days of the steamer's arrival here after which
date they cannot be recognised.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1904.

FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"ARMENIA."

Captain Forst, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice
to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited
and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 5th December will be
subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 5th December, at 3 P.M.No Fire Insurance has been effected.
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1904.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"PURNIA."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their
Goods will be delivered from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining
on board after 12 o'clock Noon, the 28th inst.,
will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense
into Godowns at East Point.No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1904.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET

PRICES.

Corrected 19th November, 100 cts. per \$ Mex.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa 17

" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk 17

" Roast—Shiu " 17

" Breast—Ngau Lam 17

" Soup, Tong Yuk 14

" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa 18

" " Serjoin—Ngau Lau 26

" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung 26

Bullock's Brains " Know " per set 9

" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li " each 45

" " corned—Ham Ngau Li " 55

" Head—Ngau Tau " 55

" Heart—Ngau Sum " 9

" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin " 14

" Feet—Ngau Kerk " each 8

" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu " 8

Tail—Ngau Mei 16

" Liver—Ngau Con " 9

" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To " 5

Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-
tau-keok " set 75

Mutton Chop—Yeung Fai Kwat " 24

" Leg—Yeung Pei " 24

" Shoulder—Yeung Shau " 24

Pigs' Chittlings—Chi cheong " 16

" Brains—Chi Kerk " per set 12

" Feet—Chi Kerk " 12

" Head—Chi Tau " 15

" Heart—Chi Sum " each 8

" Kidneys—Chi Yiu " 7

" Liver—Chi Kon " 24

Pork, Chop—Chi Pui Kwat " 20

" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk " 24

" Leg—Chu Pei " 24

" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau " 17

Sheeps' Head and Feet—Yeung Tau
Keok " set 55

" Heart—Yeung Sum " each 6

" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu " 10

" Liver—Yeung Con " 20

Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai " 16

Suet, Beef—Sung Ngau Yau " 17

" Mutton—Sung Yeung Yau " 20

Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk " 18

" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong " 15

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai " 28

Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai " 30

Ducks—Ap " 22

Doves—Pan Kau " 15

Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan " per doz. 24

Fowls, Canton—Kai " 30

" Huian—Hoi Nam Kai " 24

Geese—Ngor " 20

Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye
Ngor " pair 1

Musk Deer—Wong Keng " each 75

Hare—Tu Chai " 75

Partridge—Che Khoo " 70

Pheasant—Shan Kai " pair 1.80

Pigeons, Canton—Eak Kup " each. 30

" Hoihow—Huihow Pak Kup " 25

Quail—Um Chun " 20

Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk " dozen 70

Snipe—Sa Chui " each 58

Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung " 58

" Hen " " Na " 1.50

Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sul-ap " pair 65

For Sale.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net \$5.00 per Cask ex Factory.

In Bags of 50 lbs. net \$3.20 per Bag ex Factory.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904. [78]

FOR SALE.

INCANDESCENT GASOLINE LAMPS.

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INCANDESCENT MANTLES, CHIMNEYS, GLOBES, &c., for GASOLINE AND GAS LAMPS.

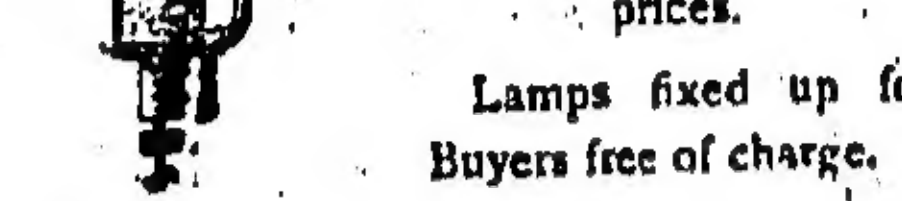
at the most moderate prices.

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Hongkong, 2nd May, 1904. [17]



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"Sanitas" Disinfecting Fluid.

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Kings' Fumigating Candles.

THE "SANITAS" CO. LTD., RETHEL GREEN, LONDON, E.

Shipping.

Arrivals.

Simla, Br. s.s., 3,888, F. R. Summers, 1st Dec.,—Shanghai 29th Nov., Mails and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Signal, Ger. s.s., 3,000, A. Benck, 1st Dec.,—Bangkok 29th Nov., Mails and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Willehad, Ger. s.s., 4,761, Zurborn, 1st Dec.,—Bremen and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Goldmouth, Br. s.s., 4,661, B. R. Key, 1st Dec.,—Batoum 25th Oct., Oil, D. & Co. Ltd.

Kassu, Br. s.s., 1,142, W. Riddle, 2nd Dec.,—Tientsin via Chefoo 27th Nov., Gen.—B. & S.

E-Sang, Br. s.s., 1,127, W. F. Richard, 2nd Dec.,—Canton 1st Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Kwangtshu, Ch. s.s., 1,536, Wm. H. Hunt, 2nd Dec.,—Canton 1st Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Else, Ger. s.s., 903, Petersen, 2nd Dec.,—Canton 1st Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Segovia, Ger. s.s., 3,795, C. Schöndorf, 2nd Dec.,—Shanghai 28th Nov., Gen.—H. A. L.

Belgian King, Br. s.s., 2,353, J. Mayton, 2nd Dec.,—Molli 23rd Nov., Coal.—B. & Co.

Humber, Br. s.s., 1,400, P. M. Riadore, 2nd Dec.,—Shanghai 28th Nov.

Yuensang, Br. s.s., 1,128, Ruffe, 2nd Dec.,—Manila 29th Nov., Hemp and Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Haimun, for Swatow.

Elizabeth Rickmers, for Bangkok.

Kansu, for Canton.

Yingking, for Canton.

Rubi, for Amoy.

Shan Lee, for West River.

Shan Lee, for West River.

Wingchun, for Kobe.

Chan On, for West River.

Longseng, for Manila.

Willehad, for Nagasaki.

Departure.

Haimun, for Coast Ports.

Germania, for Bangkok.

Elizabeth Rickmers, for Bangkok.

Longseng, for Shanghai.

Deukia, for Kobe.

Rubi, for Amoy.

Wingchun, for Macao.

Chan On, for West River.

Longseng, for Manila.

Willehad, for Nagasaki.

Passengers arrived.

Per Simla, from Bangkok—110 Chinese.

Per Willehad, from Manchuria—Mr. Fogt.

From Bremen—830 Japanese.

Per Kansu, from Tientsin, &c.—Misses E. R. and R. Mannen, Master W. Mannen, and 6 Chinese.

Per Simla, from Shanghai for Hongkong—Messrs. Cambridge and E. Rockham, Dr. Rolfsuyden, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Falmer, and 2 children, Messrs. Pastern, P. Jernstien, Capt. and Mrs. Tupper, Messrs. A. B. Dewey, C. Dewey, H. Butterworth, Miss and Miss Ranges and child, Messrs. Hays, J. Richards, Bastien and child, Messrs. For Penang—Mr. I. C. Jones, and C. Wallman, servant. For Port Said—Mrs. H. D. Fedoroff and 3 children. For Colombo—Miss R. Lohentel. From Marseilles—Mr. and Mrs. Grand, and Mr. C. H. Allen. For London via Bombay—Mr. C. H. Allen. For London—Miss G. N. Hurry and child, and Mr. C. Caines. From Kobe for Hongkong—Mrs. Fontaine, and Mr. T. Gorton. For Hongkong—Mr. J. Inglis. For London—Mr. J. Wolstencroft. From Yokohama for Port Said—Mr. Fontaine.

Shipping Report.

Str. Signal from Bangkok—Strong N.E. winds, and a rough sea the last two days.

Str. Kansu from Tientsin—Had strong N.E. and N.W. winds, moderate sea throughout entire passage. On 1st inst. passed white conical buoy drift off Haimun Bay, sea rough as it picked it up, Lat. 22° 54' N. Long. 116° 42' E. Breaker Point N. 82 W. dist. 8 miles.

Vessels in Port.

STEAMERS.

Agincourt, Br. s.s., 2,876, Worsnop, 3rd Oct.,—Hainan 1st Oct., Ballast—Order.

Amara, Br. s.s., 1,565, J. C. Mattock, 1st Dec.,—Molli 25th Nov., Coal.—M. B. K.

Andrew Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,026, H. C. Köhn, 25th Nov.,—Bangkok 16th Nov., Rice.—R. & S.

Apenrade, Ger. s.s., 611, A. P. Ulderup, 29th Nov.,—Haiphong 26th Nov., Gen.—J. & Co.

Atlantic, Am. s.s., 670, Antacanti, 26th Nov.,—Manila 19th Nov., Sugar.—Barretto & Co.

Breiz Hue, Fr. s.s., 793, J. B. Andrieux, 19th Nov.,—New York 26th Sept., Petroleum.—S. O. Co.

China, Am. s.s., 3,187, D. E. Friele, 21st Nov.,—San Francisco 25th Oct., and Shanghai 19th Nov., Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Derwent, Br. s.s., 1,562, J. Jenkins, 26th Nov.,—Saigon 21st Nov., Gen.—Man Fat & Co.

Edendale, Br. s.s., 717, Moss, 4th Nov.,—Saigon 28th Oct., Rice.—Master.

Empress of Japan, Br. s.s., 3,039, Henry Pybus, R.N.R., 22nd Nov.,—Vancouver 31st Oct., and Shanghai 19th Nov., Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Frijol, Ger. s.s., 891, N. A. Haraldsen, 30th Nov.,—Tientsin via Amoy and Swatow 28th Nov., Gen.—C. S. K.

Gaea, Br. s.s., 950, Dahl, 30th Nov.,—Hilo 26th Nov., Gen.—Chinese.

Germantia, Ger. s.s., 538, H. Filig, 23rd Nov.,—Kiel 20th Sept., Ballast—S. & Co.

Hopsang, Br. s.s., 1,139, J. V. Hay, 26th Nov.,—Molli 21st Nov., Coal.—J. M. & Co.

Hue, Fr. s.s., 705, Godineau, 27th Nov.,—Haiphong and Hobe 26th Nov., Gen.—A. R. M.

Indravelli, Br. s.s., 3,215, S. Cullington, 28th Nov.,—Shanghai 24th Nov., Ballast—J. M. & Co.

Lighting, Br. s.s., 2,122, J. G. Spence, 30th Nov.,—Calcutta 13th Nov., Penang and Singapore 24th Nov., Gen.—D. S. & Co. Ltd.

Longships, Br. s.s., 2,843, Clucas, 30th Nov.,—Molli 22nd Nov., Coal.—B. & Co.

Machew, Ger. s.s., 996, H. Harjes, 20th Nov.,—Bangkok 21st Nov., Rice.—B. & S.

Medan, Ger. s.s., 764, O. Stoberg, 30th Nov.,—South Sea Island (Vap) 22nd Nov., Copra.—S. & Co.

Mercedes, Br. s.s., 3,303, G. S. McGregor, 30th Nov.,—Wei-hai-wei 26th Nov., Ballast—Naval Stores Office.

Onsang, Br. s.s., 1,787, J. T. Davies, 28th Nov.,—Molli 20th Nov., Coal.—M. B. K.

Ormsley, Br. s.s., 2,730, Olsen, 1st Dec.,—Molli 24th Nov., Coal.—D. & Co. Ltd.

Petchaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,375, G. Hillmann, 28th Nov.,—Bangkok 20th Nov., Rice and Wood.—B. & S.

Riverdale, Br. s.s., 2,752, Hay, 29th Nov.,—Kutchinots 24th Nov., Coal.—D. & Co. Ltd.

Sealda, Br. s.s., 3,438, Geo. Brown, 29th Nov.,—Molli 23rd Nov., Coal.—J. M. & Co.

Suiaang, Br. s.s., 1,776, F. Wheeler, 25th Nov.,—Samarang, (Java) 13th Nov., Sugar.—J. M. & Co.

Thea, Ger. s.s., 3,438, Geo. Brown, 29th Nov.,—Molli 23rd Nov., Coal.—J. M. & Co.

Tijpanas, Dut. s.s., 2,400, P. Zwart, 1st Dec.,—Makassar 23rd Nov., Gen.—C. J. L.

Tritos, Ger. s.s., 1,500, Krafft, 1st Dec.,—Molli 24th Nov., Coal.—Order.

Tungchow, Br. s.s., 987, Parks, 23rd Nov.,—Shanghai 20th Nov., Ballast—Order.

Wahora, Br. s.s., 1,167, W. Brown, 1st Dec.,—Hoihow 29th Nov., Gen.—Kam Kat Tai.

SAILING VESSELS.

Ancines, Br. bq., 1,700, Salter, 26th Nov.,—Fremantle 20th Sept., Sandalwood—Order.

Erie T. Ray, Am. bq., 918, Karten, 6th Aug.,—Manila 10th June, Timber—Order.

Prince Robert, Br. 4-masted bq., 2,555, Hansen, 22nd Nov.,—New York 9th July, Kerosine.—S. O. Co.

Steamers Expected.

Bengal, Singapore, P. & O. Co. Dec. 3

Kintuck, Singapore, N. Y. K. Dec. 3

C. Ferd. Laeisz, Sandakan, H. A. L. Dec. 3

Borneo, Sandakan, M. & Co. Dec. 3

Aragonia, Japan, P. & A. Co. Dec. 7

Kumsang, Japan, P. & A. Co. Dec. 7

Beyditt, Singapore, M. & Co. Dec. 8

Toric, Japan, P. M. Co. Dec. 8

Capri, Singapore, P. M. Co. Dec. 8

Manchuria, San Francisco, P. M. Co. Dec. 10

Emp. of China, Vancouver, P. R. Co. Dec. 10

Nicomedia, Portland, P. & A. Co. Dec. 24

Deucalion, Victoria, B. & S. Jan. 3

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

U.S.S. Fathomer, at Kowloon Dock.

Agincourt, " " " "

Empress of Japan, " " " "

Hue, " " " "

Kwangtshu, " " " "

H.M.S. Vengeance, " " " "

Elsie, " " " "

Vigilante, " " " "

Indravelli, " " " "

Taming, " " " "

Andrew Rickmers, " " " "

Hankow, " " " "

Suisang, " " " "

Arrivals at Home—15th November—Tydeus.

17th November—Formosa. 19th November—Abol, Sackten, Salasia. 20th November—Sambila. 21st November—Valdemar, Hudson. 29th November—Japan, Austria, Patroclus.

POST OFFICE.

A Mail will close for—

In future, there will be one delivery of correspondence each day on week days only in Shanghai, leaving General Post Office at noon.

Pillar Boxes at Arsenal Street and Percival Street will in future be cleared four times a day as under.

Percival Street 8 a.m.—11 a.m.

Arsenal Street 12 p.m.—3 p.m.

8.5 a.m.—11.5 a.m.

2.5 p.m.—5.5 p.m.

Canton—Per Honam, 3rd Dec. 7.30 A.M.

Macao—Per Wingchun, 3rd Dec. 7.30 A.M.

Amoy, Swatow, Singapore and Penang—Per Petchaburi, 3rd Dec. 9 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per China, 3rd Dec. 10.45 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tutuora—Per Simla, 3rd Dec. 11 A.M.

Singapore and Samarang—Per Hopsang, 3rd Dec. 1 P.M.

Macao—Per Hopsang, 3rd Dec. 1.45 P.M.

Kongmoon and Kunchuk—Per Tak Hing, 3rd Dec. 5 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per Frithjof, 3rd Dec. 5 P.M.

Saigon—Per Derwent, 3rd Dec. 5 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Apenrade, 3rd Dec. 5 P.M.

Haiphong—Per Apenrade, 3rd Dec. 5 P.M.

Nantao—Per Apenrade, 3rd Dec. 5 P.M.

Sanbu—Per Hoi Fu, 3rd Dec. 5 P.M.

Macao—Per Wingchun, 4th Dec. 8 A.M.

Canton—Per Powan, 4th Dec. 9 A.M.

Kongmoon and Samshui—Per Tak Hing, 4th Dec. 9 A.M.

Nantao—Per Tak Hing, 4th Dec. 9 A.M.

Sanbu—Per Hoi Fu, 4th Dec. 9 A.M.

Swatow and Bangkok—Per Machew, 4th Dec. 4 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Lighting, 6th Dec. 2 P.M.

Shanghai, Molli, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Jippanas, 6th Dec. 3 P.M.

Manila—Per Tungchow, 6th Dec. 3 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Tungchow, 6th Dec. 3 P.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tutuora—Per Freutun, 7th Dec. 11 A.M.

Kobe—Per China, 7th Dec. 3 P.M.

Ningpo and Shanghai—Per Kewitlin, 7th Dec. 3 P.M.

Manila—Per Zifra, 10th Dec. 9 A.M.

Frederick, Wilhelmshafen, Herberthohe, Matup, Brisbane and Sydney—Per Prinz Sigismund, 10th Dec. 11 A.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Saitang, 10th Dec. 11 A.M.

Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Changsha, 10th Dec. 3 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per Capri, 13th Dec. 10 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tutuora—Per Tourane, 13th Dec. 11 A.M.

Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Eastern, 14th Dec. 10 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of Japan, 14th Dec. 11 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Athenian, 18th Dec. 11 A.M.

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PARCELS.

Parcels for the United Kingdom via Gibraltar posted before 3 p.m. on Friday, the 4th November, are due in London about the 11th December, and those posted before 3 p.m. on the 18th of November are due in London on Christmas morning.

With an additional fee of 60 cents parcels may be sent via Brindisi, and if posted before 3 p.m. on the 18th of November would accompany the latter mail, which is due in London on the 19th of December. Parcels intended for New Year's delivery should also be forwarded by the mail of the 18th of November, as the mail per s.s. Chusan, which leaves here on the 3rd of December is not due in London till the 8th of January via Gibraltar, and the 2nd of January via Brindisi. The rates of postage on ordinary parcels are as follows:—

For parcels not exceeding 3 lbs. in weight 60cts.

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" " " " 11lbs. " \$1.80cts.

All parcels containing jewellery or any article of gold or silver must be insured, all insured parcels must be sealed. The seals must bear the impression of a device or private mark. Coins must not be used for sealing purposes.

On and after the 1st December, 1904, deliveries for Postal District No. viii, Albany, Peak Road, will leave the Post Office at 9 A.M. 1 p.m. and 5 p.m., daily on week days and 9 a.m. on Sundays.

VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

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Crowe, Capt. E. S. Martin, Miss and Com-

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Hamer, Thos. A. R.

Francis, Mrs. and child Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Thos.

Jameson, J. Watt I.

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Kimura, Z. Staeger, O.

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THE Steamship

"SIMLA," Captain F. R. Summers, carrying H.M. Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, TO-MORROW, the 3rd December, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Port in connection with the Company's S.S. China, 7,912 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. Persia, due in London on the 15th January, 1905.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, ALGER.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 13th December, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "TOURANE," Captain Girard, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON only on MONDAY, the 12th December, Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

L. BRIDOU, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1904.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA, VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	Sailing.
Pletades	3,753	F.G. Purinton	Ab. Dec. 17
Tremont	9,000	T. W. Garlick	Jan. 10
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For further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

A FOOK & Co.,

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have this day

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TO

No. 12, POTTINGER STREET,

(opposite their old establishment).

Hongkong, 24th November, 1904.

To Let.

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3, New Praya, Kennedy Town.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1904. [1259]

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, THE PEAK.

Apply to—

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [436]

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A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD, FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing Polo Ground.

OFFICES in course of erection, CON- NAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIKE).

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1956]

TO LET.

EUROPEAN HOUSES, Nos. 2 to 4, 6 to 8 and 10 to 12, GAP ROAD, facing Race Course, within reach of the Electric Cars, thoroughly cleaned and colour-washed, in flats or whole.

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S. A. SETH, Land and Estate Broker,

Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1904. [1996]

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No. 13, MOSQUE JUNCTION.

And others to suit various requirements.

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Hongkong, 14th October, 1904. [47]

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AT East Point, a NEW BRICK-BUILT 2-STORIED GODOWN, with Water Frontage.

Apply to—

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [1279]

TO LET.

EUROPEAN HOUSE, No. 22, Caine Road.

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SIN TAK FAN, Messrs. Ewens & Harston.

Hongkong, 29th November, 1904. [1284]

TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOM and BATH-ROOM in Caine Road.

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Hongkong, 21st November, 1904. [1258]

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Hongkong, 16th June, 1904. [729]

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AN INSPECTION INVITED.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904. [1184]

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. BENJAMIN, KELLY & PORTS. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.		LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.			
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,000,000 \$7,000,000 \$250,000 \$175,533 \$191,973	\$1,492,554	Div. of £1.10/- @ exchange 1/9 15/16 \$16.41 for first half-year 1904	5 1/2 %	\$710 buyers London £70
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£7	\$1,400,000 \$1,739	\$21,668	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	5 1/2 %	\$39
MARINE INSURANCES								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$5	\$1,400,000 81,739	\$150,494	\$17 for 1903	6 1/2 %	\$250
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$900,000 \$151,992 \$331,342 \$322,138	Nil.	\$4 for year ended 30.4.1903	6 1/2 %	\$3 1/2 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 800,000	Tls. 217,119	Final of 10/- making £1 for 1903	8 %	Tls. 96
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$1,850,000 \$20,000 \$372,749 \$893.11 \$846,771 \$700,000 \$37,794	\$2,078,997	\$35 for 1903	5 1/2 %	\$665 buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	\$700,000 \$37,794	\$486,284	\$12 for 1902	8 %	\$150
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$125,675 \$2,561	\$319,047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902	8 %	\$90 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,700,281	\$371,110	\$22 1/2 for 1902	6 1/2 %	\$335 buyers
SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900		\$24
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$185,000 \$80,935 \$250,000 \$600,000 \$157,555	Nil.	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	6 %	\$34 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$1,000,000 \$100,000	\$16,362	\$1 1/4 for first half-year 1904	10 1/2 %	\$294 sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	\$1,000,000 \$100,000	£5.853	10/- for 1903 @ 1/10 5/16=\$5.378	4 1/2 %	\$128 buyers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	8 1/2 %	Tls. 53 sales
Do.	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	8 1/2 %	Tls. 53 sales
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	4,000,000	£1	£1	\$400,000 \$60,000 \$15,093	\$19,555	Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 4) for 1903	4 1/2 %	24/-
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$100,000 \$21,075 \$18,000 \$130,153	\$1,287	\$1.80 & b. 40 cts. \$0.90 & b. 20 cts. for year ending 30.4.04	5 1/2 %	\$30
Straits Steamship Company, Limited	5,000	\$100	\$100	\$100,000 \$18,000 \$130,153	\$33,648	\$5 for 2nd 4-year making \$13 for 1903	8 1/2 %	\$150 sellers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 201,614	Tls. 865	Interim of Tls. 1 1/4 for 1904	10 %	Tls. 30
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$147,717	Interim of \$5 for 1904		\$234 sellers
Luen Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$73,905	\$3 for 1897		\$7 buyers
Penak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,456	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.03	4 1/2 %	Tls. 60
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$400,000 \$18,000 \$18,000	£7,820	No. 3 of 1/6		Tls. 61 sellers
Oriental Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	50,000	G \$10	G \$5	none	G \$672,093	Interim of 50 cents, account 1904	6 1/2 %	G \$10 buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	\$48,873	Dr. £4,029	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents		\$5 buyers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 251,337 Fcs. 1,256,652	Fcs. 85,706	Final of Fcs. 25 making Fcs. 55 for 1903		\$490
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$70,000 \$50,989	\$10,517	\$3.75 for 1903	8 %	\$46 sellers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	\$250,000	\$28,015	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1904	4 1/2 %	\$115 sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$25,500	\$505,471	\$6 dividend and \$2 bonus for first half-year 1904	7 1/2 %	\$219 sales
Howarth Erskine, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	\$60,000		\$10 div. & \$5 bonus for 1903/4	7 1/2 %	\$202 buyers
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	6,000	\$60	\$60	\$35,500	\$489	\$14 for 1903	4 1/2 %	\$27
Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited	6,000	\$100	\$100	\$150,000	\$49,936	\$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	6 1/2 %	\$121 buyers
Do.	2,750	\$100	\$100	\$150,000	\$49,936	\$7 dividend	6 1/2 %	\$121
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited	55,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 900,000	Tls. 48,153	Tls. 7 final = Tls. 12 for year end. 30.4.04	7 1/2 %	Tls. 175 sales
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company	12,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 50,913	Tls. 22,895	Interim of Tls. 4 for 1904	7 1/2 %	Tls. 135 sales
Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited	37,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,050,000	\$43,732	First year	5 %	Tls. 132 sales
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 6,000	Tls. 1,760	\$6 for 2nd half year 1903	9 1/2 %	\$240 sales
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDING.								
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$9,089	\$2 1/2 for year ended 30.6.1904	8 1/2 %	\$29 sales
Astor House Hotel, Limited (Tientsin)	2,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 41,000	Tls. 655	Interim of Tls. 4	6 %	Tls. 150
China Land and Finance Company, Limited	6,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none		Interim of Tls. 2		Tls. 55
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$100,000 \$11,824 \$20,000	\$11,668	\$5 for first half-year 1904	8 %	\$146 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$500,000 Tls. 13,986	\$51,066	Interim of \$6 for 1904	8 %	\$48 buyers
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited (Shanghai)	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 1,680	Tls. 680	Tls. 0.87 1/2 for the year ending 31.3.1904	4 1/2 %	Tls. 19 sales
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$200,507 \$50,000	\$9,177	90 cents for 1903	7 %	\$13 sales
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	\$636	\$2.60 for 1903	6 1/2 %	\$39 sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 800,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 17,144	Tls. 37,634	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	7 %	Tls. 118
Tientsin Hotel des Colonies, Limited	1,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 2,132	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2		Tls. 50 sales
Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited	7,725	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 54,626	Tls. 325	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	7 %	Tls. 125
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	none	Tls. 5,150	None		Tls. 12 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,362	Interim of \$1 1/4 for 1904	5 %	\$60 sellers
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 11,655	Tls. 4 for year ended 31.10.1903	4 1/2 %	Tls. 25 sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$12,862	50 cents for the year ending 31.7.04	4 1/2 %	\$12 buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 30,098	Tls. 88,034	Interim of 3 1/2 a/c 1898		Tls. 201 buyers
Lao-ku-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 15,500	Interim of 4 a/c 1898 on 6,000 shares		Tls. 321 sellers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 5,558	Tls. 26,389	4 % for 1897		Tls. 150
CIGARS AND TOBACCO COS.								
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$200	\$200	\$779	nil	\$125 for year ending 30.6.1900		\$100
Philippine Company, Limited	7,500	\$10	\$10			First year		\$94
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 25,000 \$250,000 \$25,000	Tls. 1,091	Interim of Tls. 3	9 1/2 %	Tls. 65 1/2 sales
MISCELLANEOUS.								
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$250,000 \$25,000	\$2,883	Interim of 50 cents for 1904	8 %	\$13
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	none	£161	6d. per share for 1903	5 1/2 %	\$5
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$5,500	\$596	\$3 for 1903	7 1/2 %	\$20 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	6,000	\$15	\$15	\$20,000	\$1,253	Interim of \$1.20 for 1904	11 1/2 %	\$100
Do.	133					None	6 1/2 %	\$8 sellers
Do.	24,000	\$15	\$7 1/2		First year	Preferential of 7 per cent for 1904	5 1/2 %	\$13 sales
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil.	60 cents for 1903	8 %	Tls. 75 buyers
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,942	Tls. 6 for 1903	8 1/2 %	\$10
China Light and Power Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$3,739	None	8 1/2 %	\$94 sales
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$55,000	\$1,171	80 cents for 1903	8 1/2 %	\$12 sales
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6			\$14 for year ending 31.7.1903		Tls. 40 sellers
E. L. Mondon, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 15,318	Tls. 5 for 1902	7 1/2 %	\$100 sales
Fraser and Neave, Limited	4,500	\$50	\$50	\$112,500	\$2,706	\$5 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	4 1/2 %	\$32 sellers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$50,000	\$32,115	\$1.50 for 1903	11 1/2 %	\$30 ex div.
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$186,000	\$13,104	Interim of \$1	7 1/2 %	\$160 buyers
Hongkong & China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	£10	£10	£23,109 £3,000	£7,625	£1 div. and 2/- bonus for 1903	6 1/2 %	\$11 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,747	\$1.00 for year ending 30.4.1904	5 1/2 %	\$9 buyers
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$35,000	\$4,283	\$20 for year ending 30.11.1903	6 1/2 %	\$300
Hongkong Ice Company Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$35,000	\$5,844	Interim of \$4 for 1904	7 1/2 %	\$255
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000	\$8,395	\$10 for 1903	7 1/2 %	\$140 buyers
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$5,500	\$299	\$1.00 for the year ended 30.9.04	9 1/2 %	\$20 sales
Katz Brothers, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$375,000		\$12 for 1903	9 1/2 %	\$135 buyers
Laure, Crawford & Co., Limited (Shanghai)	2,500	\$5	\$100	none	\$21,582	Interim of \$3	9 %	\$135 buyers
Maatschappij tot Mijn- en Bosch- en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 334,669 Tls. 11,143	Tls. 27,187	3rd quarterly of Tls. 10, paid 15.9.04 making 30 far Tls. 32, 8/- 1904	13 %	Tls. 29 1/2 sales
Maynard and Company, Limited	3,400	\$10	\$10	none	\$803	\$2 for year ended 31.10.1903	7 1/2 %	\$27 buyers
S. Moutrie & Company, Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$5,000	\$832	Final of \$3 making \$5 for the year ending 30.6.04	9 %	\$55 sellers
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$50	\$50			First year		\$50
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	16,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000 Tls. 108,172	Tls. 7,548	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 1904	8 %	Tls. 104 1/2 sales
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Company, Limited	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,000	Tls. 10,247	Tls. 5 for 1903	5 1/2 %	Tls. 931 sellers
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 5,000	Tls. 3,288	Interim of Tls. 6 for 1904	7 1/2 %	Tls. 160 sales
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	7,000	£20	£20	Tls. 110,000	Tls. 7,369	Interim of 15/- for 1904	7 1/2 %	Tls. 300 buyers
Singapore Dispensary, Limited	7,000	\$50	\$50	\$6,000	\$800	\$5 for year end-d 31.7.1903	5 1/2 %	\$90
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$39,020	None		\$25 nominal
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	5,000	\$5	\$5	none		6d. cents for year ended 31.5.04	8 1/2 %	\$7
Straits Ice Company, Limited	10,000	\$5	\$3	none	\$3,644	First year		\$4 sellers
Straits Trading Company, Limited	250,000	\$10	\$10	\$650,000	\$83,403	\$7 1/2 for second half year 1903 \$1 div. and 25 cents bonus for half year ended 30.9.1903	8 1/2 %	\$160 sales
Tebrau Planting Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	none	Dr. \$2,555	None		\$12 buyers
Tientsin Native City Waterworks Company, Ltd.	2,941	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 413	Tls. 1 for half year		T.Tls. 110
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	T.Tls. 100	T.Tls. 100	Tls. 15,259	Tls. 667	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1903/4	6 1/2 %	T.Tls. 130
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$180	90 cents for year ended 31.5.1904	9 1/2 %	\$9 buyers
Do.	100	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$180	\$20.70 for year ended 31.5.1904	10 1/2 %	\$180 buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,802	\$1,042	\$1 for 1903	10 1/2 %	\$91 buyers
William Powell, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$3,000	\$388	Final of 70 cents making \$1.20 for the year ending 30.6.1904	11 %	\$12 sellers